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RESPONSE AND AMENDMENT

MS: AMENDMENT Commissioner For Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed on January 13, 2005, in connection with the above-identified patent application, please enter the following amendments, and consider the following arguments. This response is timely filed with a petition for extension of time for three months with necessary fees. Consideration of these attachments are respectfully requested.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims that begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 4 of this paper.

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